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SUBJECT: GOM DELEGATION TO ISLAMIC FOREIGN MINISTER' S CONVERENCE

1. SUMMARY: GOM DEL TO ISLAMIC FONMINS CONFERENCE BEGINNING MARCH 24 IN TRIPOLI WILL BE HEADED BY MINISTER OF NATIONAL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT; LOW LEVEL AND COMPOSITION OF DEL STRONGLY SUGGESTS GOM DESIRE AVOID DISCUSSION OF POLITICAL ISSUES. IN PRE- DEPARTURE STATEMENT, GOM DEL HAS EMPHASIZED ECONOMIC INTERESTS, INCLUDING ISLAMIC BANK AND DEVELOPMENT FUND. END SUMMARY.

2. GOM DEL TO TRIPOLI MEETING WILL BE HEADED BY ABDUL GHAFAR BABA, UMNO POLITICAL LEADER FROM MALACCA AND MINISTER OF NATIONAL AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT. HE WILL BE ASSISTED BY DATUK WAN ABDUL KADIR, PARILIAMENTARY SECRETARY IN PRIME MINISTER' S DEPARTMENT AND KHATIB ABDUL HAMID, HEAD OF MFA MIDDLE EAST DIVISION. COMPARATIVE LOW LEVEL OF DELEGATION AND FACT THAT GHAFAR BABA AND WAN ABDUL KADIR ARE INEXPERIENCED IN FOREIGN RELATIONS MATTERS STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT GOM WISHES DOWNPLAY OR AVOID POLITICAL ISSUES AT TRIPOLI. THIS DESIRE ALSO CONFIRMED BY PERFUNCTORY HANDLING OF LIBYAN ENVOY EL- TARIKI

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DURING RECENT VISIT TO KUALA LUMPUR. (IT WORTH NOTING IN THIS RESPECT THAT EL- TARIKI WAS NOT GIVEN OPPORTUNITY BY GOM TO GRANDSTAND AS HE DID IN JAKARTA. GOM APPARENTLY RECEIVED HIS DEMARCHES WITH RESPECT AND NOTHING MORE.)

3. IN PRE- DEPARTURE STATEMENT, GOM DEL CHIEF GHAFAR BABA NOTED THAT POLITICAL ISSUES, PARTICULARLY SPLITS AMONG ARAB NATIONS, WOULD BE DISCUSSED AT TRIPOLI CONFERENCE. HOWEVER, HE INDICATED GOM' S PRIMARY INTEREST IS TO ADVANCE PLANS FOR INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC BANK AND PROMOTE CONCEPT OF ISLAMIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND. (NOTE: DESIRE TO TAP WEALTH OF ARAB STATES FOR DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES HAS BEEN LONG- STANDING BUT UNDERPLAYED DESIRE OF MALAYSIANS.)
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